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SENATE FISH AND GAME

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EDUCATION

University of Montana School of Law, Missoula, MT. JD May 1996.

- National Moot Court, Team Member, 1995
- Public Land Law Review, Conference Editor, 1995
- Public Land Law Review, Staff Member, 1994
- ALI-ABA Environmental Law Scholarship, 1995
- Public Interest Law Coalition Scholarship, 1994
- Legal Research/Legal Writing Instructor, 1994 -1995

The American University, Washington, DC. BA - International Relations 1989.

- Minors in Spanish and Economics
- Translation Certificate (Spanish/English)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

2007-2010

Commissioner, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks, Appointed by Governor Brian Schweitzer to sit on FWP Commission as one of five Montanans with oversight over fish, wildlife, and parks in Montana. Highlight of term including leading the Madison Valley Elk Working Group which created a broad based public access agreement between landowners and sportsmen while addressing elk population concerns of landowners. Additional highlight was working with Department on the review of the Beaverhead Big Hole Rules for commercial, non-resident, and resident use and drafting changes that addressed resident anglers' and resident outfitters' concerns.

1998 - 2010

Vice-President, Co-Owner, Sweetwater Travel Company, Livingston, MT. Owner and operator of Sweetwater Travel. Sweetwater owns and manages lodges in Montana, the Bahamas, Mongolia, Brazil, French Polynesia, Alaska, and British Columbia. Sweetwater also owns a successful fly shop in Livingston, MT which has managed growth each year throughout the present economic challenges.

2000 - 2010

Founder, Taimen Conservation Fund, UlaanBaatar Mongolia. Developed conservation program for Eg-Ur Watershed in Mongolia. The project was selected as one of 30 winners, out of 7000 applicants, of the Development Marketplace Award by the World Bank and the Global Environmental Facility for its innovative approach to combining conservation and the private sector. The project has raised 1.2 million dollars from the international community and presently employs forty Mongolians and western consultants.

2002 -2010

Sales Associate, Livewater Properties, Jackson, WY. Independent sales associate in conservation real estate firm relying on expertise in fishing, hunting, and conservation easement issues.

1999-2001

Associate Attorney, Nelson Law Firm, P.C., Billings, MT. Employed as associate litigating a variety of civil cases in both federal and state court. Areas of concentration

include personal injury, insurance bad faith, and contract disputes.

- 1998 – 1999** ***Associate Attorney, Anderson & Liechty, P.C., Billings, MT.*** Employed as associate litigating a variety of civil cases in both federal and state court. Areas of concentration include personal injury, insurance bad faith, and contract disputes.
- 1996-1998** ***Associate Attorney, Moulton, Bellingham, Longo & Mather, P.C. Billings, MT.*** Litigated a wide variety of civil cases in both federal and state court at both district and appellate court levels. Areas of concentration included personal injury, insurance bad faith, and construction lien/contract disputes. Served as translator for Attorney/Client Communications for English speaking attorney and Spanish speaking clientele.
- 1991-93** ***Lodge Manager/Fishing Guide, Frontiers International, Wexford, PA.*** Managed Manaka Jungle Lodge in Amazonas, Venezuela. Staff consisted of Venezuelans with all operations and communications in Spanish. Guided individuals from USA and Europe both in Russia and Argentina.
- 1990-91** ***Lodge Manager/Sales Manager, Hubbard's Yellowstone Lodge, Emigrant, MT.*** Managed Orvis-endorsed, 30 guest fishing lodge. Responsibilities included employee supervision, customer relations, bookkeeping/payroll and inventory control. Supervised all lodge promotions including writing brochures and booking clients. Organized nationwide speaking tour to promote lodge in which I addressed groups up to 250 fishermen.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Fluent in Spanish, Certified Spanish/English Translator.
Competent in WestLaw, Lexis, and WordPerfect.
Strong Interpersonal and Intercultural Communication Skills.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST